

**In the Specification:**

Please amend Paragraph [17] as follows:

Figure 3 shows the grille, base and internals of the dual cartridge microphone according to an embodiment of the present invention; Figure 3A shows the grille, base and internals of the dual cartridge microphone according to another embodiment of the present invention having two directional microphones positioned back to back;

Please amend Paragraph [35] as follows:

In another embodiment shown in Figure 3A, back-to-back directional microphone cartridges 340, 350 having cardioid pickup patterns may be employed within a single housing to derive an omni-directional pattern via electrical summing of the two directional cartridge output signals. This can provide both a directional pattern suitable for speech and a combined omni-directional pattern suitable for ambient noise sensing.